Any supplementary questions ?

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder : Is there a convention between the Cochin Government and the South Indian Railway, that a certain number of Cochinites should be appointed ?

Mr. President : We are now on the Harbour.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder : I am referring to question No. 19.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar : There is no convention.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon : Can the Government do something to see that Cochinites are employed ? I want to know whether the Government have got the power or whether the Government are absolutely powerless.

Mr. President : Let us first get the information whether Cochinites have been employed.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon : Whether the Government have any power ?

Mr. President : They have no power.

OFFICERS—COCHIN HARBOUR.

18. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of persons employed in the administrative department of the Cochin Harbour ;

(*b*) the number in each community so employed ;

(*c*) the number of Cochinites so employed, if any ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar : (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) Government have no information.

19. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are in a position to state the number of Cochin State subjects employed in the Cochin Harbour works drawing a salary of Rs. 25 and more ;

(*b*) whether they are in a position to state the number of Cochin State subjects working in the S. I. Railway Co. (Cochin-Shoranur line) ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar : (*a*) and (*b*) Government have no information.

20. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

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(*a*) the number of persons of particular communities holding senior executive position in the Cochin Harbour ;

(*b*) the number of Cochinites so employed ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar : (*a*) and (*b*) Government have no information.

21. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the total number of officers employed in the Harbour at present ;

(*b*) how many of them are Cochinites ; and how many Travancoreans ; how many others ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar : (*a*) and (*b*) Government have no information.

OFFICERS—COCHIN PORT.

22. Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of officers in the Cochin Port ;

(*b*) their names and salaries ;

(*c*) how many of them are technical men ;

(*d*) how many are Cochinites and how many not ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar: (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) Government have no information.

VILLAGE MENONS—APPOINTMENT OF.

23. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan : Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the power of appointment of Village Menons was not at one time vested with the Government ;

(*b*) why was that power transferred to the Diwan Peishkar subsequently ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon : (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan : Was not the power of appointment of Village Menons transferred to the Staff Selection Board two years ago ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon : No.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan : Are there not persons who have undergone training at the time of Kasturi Renga Ayyar still unemployed ?

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